

## Grammar comparative adjectives

- 4 Look at the sentences in Exercise 3. Underline examples of comparative adjectives.

### ► SPELL CHECK comparative adjectives

- Add -er to short adjectives to form the comparative: *old* → *older*
- Add -r to adjectives ending in -e: *large* → *larger*
- Change adjectives ending in -y (after a consonant) to -i, and add -er: *happy* → *happier*
- Double the final consonant on some adjectives ending with a vowel and a consonant: *hot* → *hotter*

- 5 Look at the spell check box. Write the comparative form of these adjectives.

- 1 short \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 easy \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 big \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 busy \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 cheap \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 sad \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 wet \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 nice \_\_\_\_\_

- 6 Complete these sentences with the comparative form of the adjective in parentheses.

- 1 This laptop is \_\_\_\_\_ (cheap) than that one.
- 2 I love the summer because it's \_\_\_\_\_ than winter. (hot)
- 3 Everything is \_\_\_\_\_ (expensive) at the airport stores.
- 4 Your new car is \_\_\_\_\_ (fast) than your old one.
- 5 The city is \_\_\_\_\_ (safe) during the day. At night it can be dangerous.
- 6 Are you \_\_\_\_\_ (old) than me?
- 7 I am pretty good at Japanese, but my brother is \_\_\_\_\_ (good).
- 8 Why are your grades from school \_\_\_\_\_ (bad) than last year?

- 7 Use the words to make sentences comparing two things. Use a comparative adjective + *than*.

- 1 my brother / short / me  
*My brother is shorter than me.*
- 2 walking / slow / cycling  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 3 I think / rock climbing / difficult / surfing  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 4 giraffes / tall / elephants  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 5 camping / cheap / staying in a hotel  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Canada / big / Iceland  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 7 a taxi / expensive / a public bus  
\_\_\_\_\_
- 8 cities / crowded / towns  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Grammar superlative adjectives

### ► SPELL CHECK superlative adjectives

- Add -est to short adjectives to form the superlative: *old* → *oldest*
- Add -st to adjectives ending in -e: *large* → *largest*
- Change adjectives ending in -y (after a consonant) to -i, and add -est: *happy* → *happiest*
- Double the final consonant on some adjectives ending with a vowel and a consonant: *hot* → *hottest*

4 Look at the spell check box. Write the superlative form of these adjectives.

- 1 short \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 easy \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 big \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 slow \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 cheap \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 fast \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 sad \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 nice \_\_\_\_\_

5 Complete the sentences with the superlative form of these adjectives.

easy	far	good	high
large	populated	short	

- 1 The \_\_\_\_\_ part of the seamount Las Gemelas is 2,286 meters.
- 2 The \_\_\_\_\_ view of seamounts is from a submarine.
- 3 There are five oceans in the world and the Pacific Ocean is the \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 In the northern hemisphere of the Earth, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the year is on 21st December.
- 5 Shanghai is the \_\_\_\_\_ city on Earth. There are 18 million people.
- 6 Neptune is the \_\_\_\_\_ planet from the Sun.
- 7 Some people think English is the \_\_\_\_\_ language to learn, but I think it's difficult!

# 7c Visit Vietnam!

## Listening a description of a trip

1 ▶ 57 Listen to a description of a trip to different parts of Vietnam. Number the activities below in order (1–5).

- a swimming on an island \_\_\_\_
- b a bicycle ride around Ho Chi Minh City \_\_\_\_
- c riding elephants \_\_\_\_
- d traveling and shopping by boat \_\_\_\_
- e visiting the rock towers of Ha Long Bay \_\_\_\_

2 ▶ 57 Listen again. Complete the sentences with adjectives from the listening. Sometimes you need a comparative or superlative form.

- 1 Ho Chi Minh City isn't the capital city of Vietnam, but it is the \_\_\_\_ city.
- 2 Cycling is a good idea because it's a really \_\_\_\_ way to move around the city.
- 3 The botanical gardens are very \_\_\_\_ and peaceful.
- 4 In the town of My Tho, there are lots of boats and the river is the most \_\_\_\_ part.

- 5 The beaches are \_\_\_\_ in Phu Quoc. There are palm trees and the sea is clean and \_\_\_\_.
- 6 The weather is \_\_\_\_ between October and May and it's the \_\_\_\_ time of year for swimming and sunbathing.
- 7 Ha Long Bay is a \_\_\_\_ place and is \_\_\_\_ with tourists.

## Word focus time

3 Match the beginnings of the sentences (1–4) with the endings (a–d).

- 1 We like to spend \_\_\_\_
  - 2 My life's so busy! I never have \_\_\_\_
  - 3 You can save a lot of time \_\_\_\_
  - 4 They had a great \_\_\_\_
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- a time on vacation with their friends.
  - b time to watch TV or read a book.
  - c if you book your tickets online.
  - d time with our grandparents on the weekend.